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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Retirement Act Disability Provision

1. The Director of Personnel has proposed that our Retirement Act disability provision be amended to conform to the restored earning capacity proviso for terminating such annuities to conform to the Civil Service provision. Since our Act's present provision was developed from the Foreign Service system, I asked Robert Hull, Department of State, whether they had ever considered a similar change. He said that it had been considered, but no action taken. He said it would only apply to very few cases, but recognized the merits of the Civil Service provision, particularly in view of the fact that Foreign Service disability annuities are tax exempt.

2. On another subject, Hull said that if we are preparing a new legislative package he hopes for its success so they could ride our coattails. He said their pointing out our success to their committees was instrumental in passage of a Daniels/McGee benefits amendment for the Foreign Service. I told him that I was sure that Mr. Helms was glad to be of help.

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